# THE GRANITE BELT NATURALIST MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

OF

THE STANTHORPE FIELD NATURALIST CLUB

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# ACTIVITIES

MEETINGS - 4th Wednesday of each Month in the C.W.A. Rooms at 8 p.m.

OUTINGS - Each Sunday PRECEEDING the 4th Vednesday.

#### ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Single - \$2,00

Family - \$3.00

# PROGRAMME

FEBRUARY OUTING

Place - JIBBENBAR AREA - Date - February 20th - Leader - Cec Curr

Meet at Weeroona Park at 9 a.m. SHARP

NEXT MEETING - February 23rd, 1977 at 8 p.m. in the C.W.A. Rooms

Guest Speaker - Peter McKechnie M.L.A.

who will speak on National Parks and will answer any questions asked.

### MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING - 26 / 1 / 77.

The President welcomed members and friends with a special welcome to fellow Queensland Nats member - Mrs. Enæ McCulloch.

Minutes - That the minutes be taken as read as per December Magazine was moved by H. Stevenson and seconded by G. McDonagh. CARRIED.

Correspondence - Inward Correspondence was received from Chinchilla Nats;

Toowoomba Nats; F. Gurney; NPA Press Release Dept. of
Lands and Wild Life Lamington Guide.

Magazines from - Moonbi Dec.76, NPA Vol 46 No. 8

Vol. 47 No. 7 (1); Warwick Walker Vol. 4 No. 5;

Down Under Vol. 15 No. 5; Darling Downs (Dec.)

Chinchilla Vol. 10 No. 5; Vol 11 No. 1; Contact Dec.76.

Outward Correspondence was sent to - 4QS (2); Adult Education Return; F. Gurney.

It was moved by M. Passmore that inward be received and outward endorsed.

Seconded by F. Wilkinson. CARRIED.

Financial Report - Mrs. D. Archer moved that Credit balance of 97.80 be received and that a/cs Rover Scouts \$3.00 and Postage \$5.43 bē passed for payment. Seconded C. Curr CARRIED.

Next Outing - Next outing on 20th February will be a previously postponed with Cec Curr to the Jibbenbar Area.

Next Meeting - Mr. Peter McKechnie M.L.M. has agreed to address our meeting on National Parks and will be pleased to answer any questions.

Business - The Club is indebted to Mrs. Noakes for her thoughtfulness in sending some sweets for our Christmas break up. H er courier, it seems, had other thoughts on that night but hopefully we will enjoy them at our next outing.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 after which Mrs. Aileen McAllister showed us and a "Western Australia" combined with a very interesting Commentary.

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JIBBENBAR CLUB OUTING postponed from last year and to take place Feb. 20, 1977.

Leave Weercona Park at 9 m.m. and proceed along Texas Road to Nundubbermere turn off and then on to Nundubbermere Homestead. A stop will be made on top of the hill to view the Homestead and Ballandean Area.

On passing through the Nundubbermere boundary gate particular attention should be made of the Granite and Trap rock cut off in the Homestead Gully. We then proceed for half a mile through a grid stopping on the forward slope for a view to Jibbenbar Mountain. The High Pinnacle, Sundown and Mt. Donaldson, then on past Pearsby to the Springdale/Stanthorpe Road at Wobur, turning right past Mt. Malakoff, Montrose and Severn Hills turn off, turning right at the Jibbenbar turn off marked by a blue rag tied to a Gum Tree.

Road conditions should be good dirt and the road into the mine PROCEED WITH CAUTION.

Cars can be parked in the area between the sheep yards and the gate at the hut. Time of arrival should be about \$10.30 a.m. and allowing \$\frac{1}{2}\$ hour for a cup of tea. Then if everyone will assemble at the old winding machine, a short talk on the area, mine layout and machinery area will be given. After an inspection of the area and lunch, we will proceed at \$1.30 p.m. back onto the Springdale road and continue o n over Oakey Creek past North Springdale through numerous gates and creek crossings back onto the Glenlyon Road at Calm Downs. It is suggested that those who would like to break away and continue onto the Glenlyon Dam site may do so while the remainder continue on back home through Glenlyon, Redgate, Pikedale arriving back at Stanthorpe at about 4.30 p.m.

The distance from Stanthorpe to the Jibbenbar mine is approximately 24 miles from the mine to Glenlyon Road 18 miles and return to Stanthorpe 43 miles - - - Round Trip 84 miles.

DRINKING AND TEA WATER SHOULD BE CARRIED as the water in the mine area is not recommended

Take plenty of food and a can of fly repellent.

Road surfaces well graded dirt and sealed surfaces.

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OUTING MAP - Feb. 20/1977 to Jibbenbar Area.

